

PETROGLYPHS

JUST ABOUT EVERY CIVILIZATION HAS MADE PETROGLYPHS. ROCK ART OF ONE FORM OR ANOTHER OCCURS ALL OVER THE WORLD, AUSTRALIA, AFRICA, EUROPE, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA. THE U.S. HAS SITES IN MOST OF ITS STATES

PETROGLYPHS ARE IMAGES CREATED BY REMOVING PART OF A ROCK SURFACE BY INCISING, PECKING, CARVING, AND ABRADING.

THE TERM PETROGLYPH SHOULD NOT BE CONFUSED WITH PICTOGRAPH, WHICH IS AN IMAGE DRAWN OR PAINTED ON A ROCK FACE. BOTH TYPES OF IMAGE BELONG TO THE WIDER AND MORE GENERAL CATEGORY OF ROCK ART.

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